

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) The following State capitals have not yet been airlinked with Delhi.

- (i) Kohima
- (ii) Itanagar
- (iii) Shillong
- (iv) Gangtok

(b) Kohima, Gangtok and Itanagar do not have operational airfields. Shillong airport is not fit for operation by aircraft type available in the fleet of Indian Airlines. However, private operators are being encouraged to add more stations in their network including Shillong.

Forward Market Commission

3245. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Forward Markets Commission, Mumbai has prepared a comprehensive package to improve the financial health of commodity exchanges;

(b) if so, the broad features thereof; and

(c) the manner in which it has improved the working of the Forward Markets Commission, particularly in the infrastructure, the administration and the trading ring?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) and (b). Forward Markets Commission do not have any direct role in managing/auditing the financial position of these exchanges, which are independent organizations of private traders. However, in pursuance of the recommendations of the Kabra Committee appointed by the Government of India, which, *inter alia* recommended strengthening of financial position of commodity exchanges to make them self-regulating organisations the Forward Markets Commission, Mumbai has been advising, from time to time, these exchanges to improve their finances through various measures like suitable upward revision of transaction fee levied on each transaction, annual subscriptions, amount of security deposit, margin money etc. These measures were also brought to personal notice in a meeting of office bearers of various commodity exchanges convened at Mumbai on 29th and 30th July, 1996.

(c) These measures are designed to improve the infrastructure of the Commodity Exchanges through installation of modern facilities like telephone, FAX, computers as well as increase in trading space, and thereby expected to improve the working of commodity exchanges. Forward

Markets Commission have also started periodic inspections of these exchanges, in order to activate its administrative infrastructure. Wherever necessary, internal committee of these exchanges like Arbitration/Vigilance Committees etc. are being activated. By making the commodity exchanges self-sufficient and self-regulating, the Commission expects to achieve its objective of healthy growth of commodity markets in the country.

Industrial Training Institutes

3246. SHRI DWARKA NATH DAS : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to set up Industrial Training Institutes, in view of mass scale Unemployment.

(b) if so, the details thereof state-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c). ITIs are set up by the respective State (including U.T.) Governments who submit their proposals directly to the Planning Commission for financial assistance under the Plan. ITIs are also allowed to be set up by private agencies provided they fulfil the prescribed norms. As on 31.7.95 there were 2911 ITIs functioning throughout the country, 1064 in the State Sector and 1847 in the Private Sector with total seating capacity of 4.5 lakh.

The Central Government supports the efforts of the State and Private agencies to set up new ITIs and strengthen existing ones.

Outstanding dues to Doordarshan, Orissa

3247. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bhubaneshwar Doordarshan Kendra owes any outstanding dues to the outside Producers;

(b) if so, the category-wise details thereof during the last three years; and

(c) the action taken to clear the outstanding dues of the Producers?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There is an outstanding commitment of Rs. 11.28 crores of DDK, Bhubaneshwar as on 1.4.96. This liability relates to commissioning of programmes under Special

Software Plan Scheme. The details of outstanding commitment during the last three years are as under:

1993-94	:	1.01 crores
1994-95	:	6.33 crores
1995-96	:	11.28 crores

(c) The liabilities are being met from the additional budgetary allocations and the Non-Lapsable Fund (NLF) in a phased manner.

Shifting of Telephones

3248. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for inter-exchange and in-exchange shifting of telephones pending for clearance in Delhi, exchange-wise; and

(b) the steps taken for early clearance of these applications?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Sir, the details are given in the attached statement.

(b) Prompt issue of OBs/simplification of commercial policies, despatch of OBs by courier and provision of FAX for clearance in case of inter-exchange shifts are the steps taken to reduce the time in shifting the telephone connections. Norms have been fixed for local shifts within 7 days and inter-exchange shifts within 15 days. All out efforts are being made to observe these norms and monitoring is being carried out at top management levels to achieve the targets.

STATEMENT

Exchange	Cases Pending for		Total
	Inter-exchange	Local shift	
Janpath	6	1	7
Kidwai Bhavan	21	19	40
Rajpath	8	-	8
Sena Bhavan	35	-	35
Jor Bagh	70	53	23
Lodhi Road	25	3	28
Delhi Gate	5	2	7

Exchange	Cases Pending for		Total
	Inter-exchange	Local shift	
Idgah	30	32	62
Tis Hazari	21	15	36
Laxmi Nagar	122	93	215
Kadkad Dooma (L. Nagar)	10	27	46
Kadkad Dooma	10	7	17
Mayur Vihar	51	12	63
Shahdara	5	19	24
Yamuna Vihar	12	8	20
Shakti Nagar	76	123	199
Keshav puram	10	1	11
Rohini (Sec. 3)	75	3	78
Rohini (Sec. 6)	74	-	74
Rohini (Sec. 9)	129	7	136
Saraswati Vihar	27	9	36
Badli	60	-	60
Alipur	2	-	2
Narela	4	-	4
Chanakya Puri	35	22	57
Bhikaji Cama Place	78	46	124
Hauz khas	45	47	92
Chattarpur	51	1	52
Vasant Kunj	160	38	198
Nehru Place	255	287	542
Tughlakabad	61	41	102
Okhla	151	72	223
Tehkhand	21	-	21